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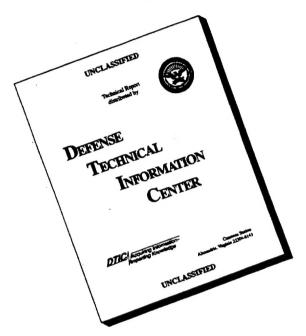
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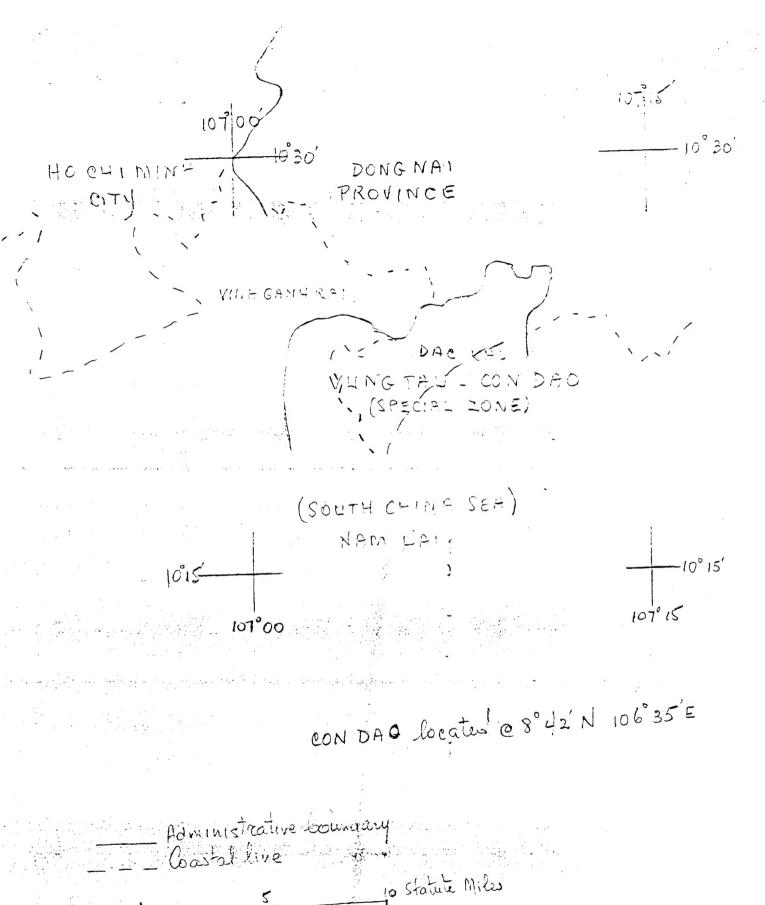
PREFACE

This study provides information on a new administrative territorial division of Vietnam, the VUNG TAU - CON DAO Special Zone. An overlay depicting the boundary of the special zone is included.

Vung Tau-Con Dao was established on May 30th, 1979, as a Special Zone directly administered by the central government and was given the status of a provincial level territorial division according to the 5th session of the 6th National Assembly of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam.

Vung Tau City and Long Son Village, formerly subordinate to Dong Nai Province, and the 14 islands of Con Dao, formerly subordinate to Hau Giang Province, were merged to become DAC KHU (Special Zone) VUNG TAU - CON DAO. The Con Dao Islands, with an area of 77 square kilometer, are located about 97 nautical miles from the mainland at BGN coordinates 08 42N 106 35E. This special zone became the country's fortieth major administrative unit.

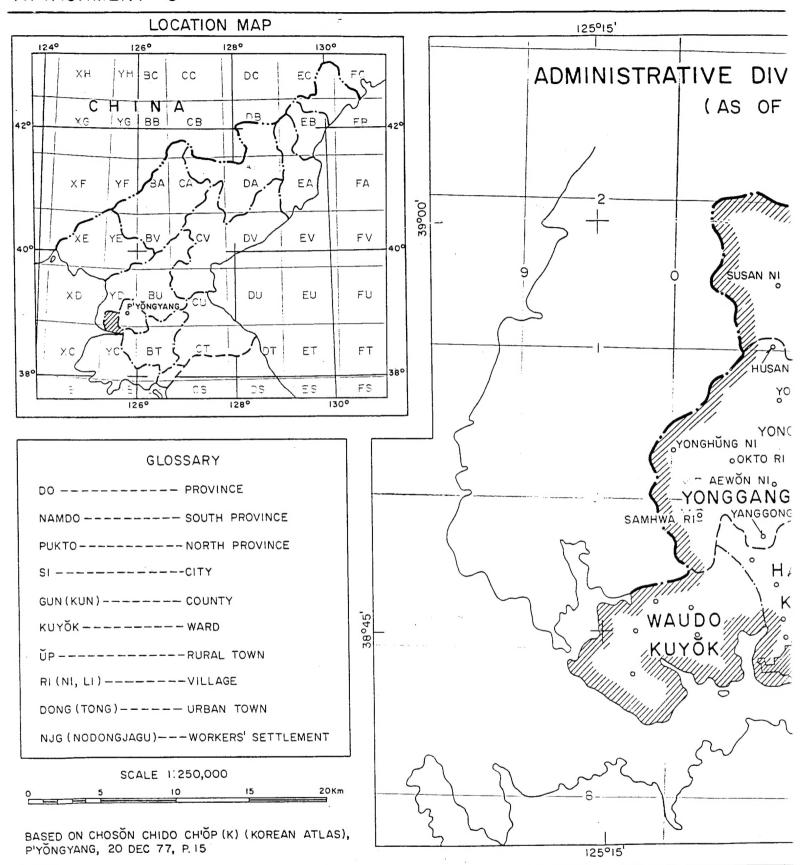
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